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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: TERRORISM FINANCE COORDINATION OFFICER

REF: STATE 175637

The reftel requested information on Embassy's Terrorism Finance Coordination Officer follows:

- a) TFCO - Lisa Kubiske, Deputy Chief of Mission, 809-731-4205, kubiskel@state.gov
- b) Deputy TFCO - Stephen Wheeler, Economic Officer, 809-731-4293, wheelerss@state.gov
- c) Because TFCO's in the region seldom meet, continued EB/ESC/TFS leadership through regular communications to post is most useful, as is listserv CT information.
- d) While money laundering is a problem in the Dominican Republic, terrorism finance so far has not been. Deputy TFCO maintains good government contacts to whom information on designated terrorist organizations is regularly passed. We do not see a need at this time for public diplomacy efforts or community outreach regarding terrorist financing related issues.
- e) The Embassy needs to maintain continued, timely access to information related to combating terrorist financing.

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